Appointment of IAS officers as Chairman-Managing Directors

1067. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRI M. S. GURUPADASSWAMY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of public sector undertakings are without Chairman-Managing Directors;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to fill these posts with I.A.S. personnel; and

(d) whether the Bureau of Public Enterprises has advised Government not to appoint I.A.S. personnel in the commercial and industrial sectors of public enterprises?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES, PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) There are some public sector undertakings, where the posts of Chairman/Managing Directors are vacant. According to the information available as on 31st March, 1988, names of such undertakings are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below)

(c) and (d) The Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) consider selection for various Board level appointments in Central Public Enterprises. In this regard, the criteria laid down are followed. No specific preference is given to Govt. officers including those drawn from the Indian Administrative Service when assessing their suitability for Board level appointments alongwith other candidates in the field. The established policy of the Govt. is to appoint through a fair and objective selection procedure outstanding professional Managers to Level I and Level II posts and posts at any other level, as may be decided by the Government from time to time.

Statement

List of the Public enterprises where the posts of chief Executives are lying vacant as on 31st March, 1988.

Sl. No.	Name of the post/enterprise	Date of vacancy
1.	CMD, NTC (MS) Ltd.	24-11-86
2.	Chairman, Minerals & Metal Trading Corpn.	18-09-87
3.	CMD, Bharat Petroleum Corpn. Ltd.	12-12-87
4.	MD, Bharat Brakes & Valves Ltd.	16-04-87
5.	MD, Hindustan Flurocarbons Ltd.	New post
6.	CMD, Mazagon Dock Ltd.	20-12-87
7.	MD, Modern Food Industries Ltd.	29-09-87
8.	CMD, National Thermal Power Corpn.	03-11-87
9.	CMD, NTC (UP) Ltd.	28-11-85

Sl. No.	Name of the post/Enterprise	Date of vacancy
10.	CMD, Hospital Services Consl. Corpn.	New post
11.	MD, Scooters India Ltd.	26-12-86
12.	CMD, NTC (Gujarat) Ltd.	17-11-87
13.	Chairman, State Trading Corpn.	08-10-87
14.	CMD, NTC (WAB&O) Ltd.	16-12-87
15.	CMD, Engineering Projects India Ltd.	25-09-87
16.	MD, Southern Pesticides Ltd.	24-02-88
17.	CMD, Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd.	12-11-87
18.	MD, Karnataka Antibiotics & Pharm. Ltd.	08-09-87
19.	CMD, Cotton Corpn. of India Ltd.	24-09-87
20.	MD, India Tourism Dev. Corpn.	18-03-87
21.	MD, Bharat Process & Mech. Engg. Ltd.	09-11-87
22.	MD, National Bicyle Corpn. Ltd.	15-01-88
23.	MD, Central Cottage Industries Corpn. Ltd.	02-12-87
24.	MD, Mandya National Paper Mills Ltd.	10-02-88

Israeli proposal of striking Pakistan's nuclear installations

1068. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recent foreign press reports alleging possible Indo-Israeli collaboration for a pre-emptive air strike against Pakistani nuclear installations;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have formulated any policy of defence against Pakistan's nuclear capability?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The press reports are totally false and tendentious and have been formally repudiated by the official spokesman of this Ministry.

(c) Government maintain a constant vigil on all developments having a bearing on the country's security.

Change of reservation policy

1069. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government attention has been drawn to a statement that